Minutes

Of The
One Hundred Eightieth
Annual Session
Of The

ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Hosted By
CROOKED CREEK CHURCH

Union County, North Carolina

September 14, 15, 16

2012

Officers
Elder Richard Broadway, Moderator
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Articles of Faith

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostasy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subject of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and the general judgement.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever church this association is being held, it is under the authority of the hostess church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the church invites the ministers and messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.
2. The officers of that church shall be the officers of the association, provided the pastor is a member of the association, and if not, the church shall elect any member of the association to preside as moderator. The church may request the help of any member of another sister church to assist in the business transactions of the association.
3. This association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the association.
4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship before it has been passed upon by the local churches shall be considered out of order by the church with which the association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.
5. The association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The finance committee shall disburse the funds on hand as the association shall so direct. The body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the association except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each church composing this association in the form of a minute.

Proceedings Of The
180th Annual Session Of
The Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association

Friday, September 14, 2012

The association convened at the Agri-Civic Center in Albemarle, NC, hosted by Crooked Creek Primitive Baptist Church. The congregation engaged in songs of praise after which Elder Charles Smith led in prayer and Elder Richard Broadway, pastor of Crooked Creek Church, preached the introductory sermon, using Luke 10:25-37 as a text. The morning service was closed with prayer by Elder Larry Austin.

After a break for refreshments and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder W.M. Benton and convened for business. Elder Richard Broadway served as Moderator, Brother W. T. Broadway served as clerk and Brother Tim Herrin served as assistant clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptists who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches whose messengers were announced by the clerk and their status noted.

MEADOW CREEK: Brethren Michael Eudy, Gene Herrin, Marshall Gaskey, Tom Parr alternate.
PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Lindsay Allen, Scott Cole, Allen Copple, Barry Cole alternate.
HIGH HILL: Brethren Don Broome, Randall Helms, Aubrey Chaney, Tim Speir alternate.
PARKVIEW: Brethren Steve Bullard, Rives Craven, David Hart, John Brooks alternate.
LIBERTY HILL: Brethren Ned Huneycutt, Randy Medlin, Clarence Wallace, Mark Stegall alternate.
PLEASANT GROVE: Eld Rommie Williams, Brethren Jimmy Helms, Johnny Cameron, R.W. Knight alternate.
UNION GROVE: Brethren Barry Helms, Carl Haigler, Ernest Baucom, Hoyle Ledbetter alternate.
BEAR CREEK: Brethren Jimmy Dunn, Curtis Furr, Ed Thompson, Greg Almond alternate.
MOUNTAIN CREEK: Brethren Lynn Helms, Terry Huneycutt, Reggie Vanhoy, Gary Earnhardt alternate.
LAWYER SPRINGS: Brethren Ronnie Edwards, Mike Helms, Albert Stegall, Elder Charles Smith alternate.

CROOKED CREEK: Represented by entire membership.
BETHEL: Brethren Dean Lewis, Ronnie Lee.
CORINTH: Letter
HERRIN'S GROVE: Brethren Chris Broadway, Joe Furr, Chad Broadway, Mitchell Broadway alternate.
HIGH POINT: Brethren Ted Myers, Hal Bouldin, Keith Hix
MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren Joe Allman, Warren Griffin, Randy Eagle, Randy Williams alternate.
NEW HOPE: Letter

3. Called for letters of petition. None submitted.

4. The Moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance and appointed the following:

PREACHING COMMITTEE: Elders Newell Helms, Branan Hooven, Brethren Elwood Ashby, Mike Helms, R.W. Knight, Gene Herrin
FINANCE COMMITTEE: Brethren Lane Vanhoy, Barry Helms, Barry Cole, Jimmy Dunn, Dennis Pressley, Marshall Gaskey, Warren Griffin

5. Called for presbytery reports:
   In compliance with a request from Bethel Primitive Baptist Church for ordained help to assist in the ordination of Brethren Ronnie Lee and Dean Lewis to the office of deacon, the following formed a presbytery at Bethel Church on Saturday, May 19, 2012:
   Elders: James Allen, Larry Austin, Newell Helms, and Branan Hooven
   Deacons: Mason H. Anderson, Aaron McLamb, Cecil Suggs, Dennis Pressley, Tim Herrin

6. Called for visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder David Brooks, Elder Tony Parker, Brother Donald Parker, Sister Gail Parker, Brother Eddie Mize, Sister Joan Mize
ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: No correspondence.
LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: No Correspondence.
TENNESSEE and NOLACHUCKY: Elder J. B. Huskey
ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY: Elder Jody Risner, Sister Tabitha, Sister Abby, Sister Emma Risner, Brother Dewey A. Hembree, Sister Lily M. Hembree.
MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Minutes
SOUTH ARKANSAS: Minutes

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not have direct correspondence and gladly received the following:

SANDY CREEK CHURCH (NC): Elder Gene Hogan, Sister Jean Hogan.
ORIGINAL UPPER CANOOCHEE ASSOCIATION (GA): Elder Tommy Rountree, Sister Dottie Rountree

NO CREEK CHURCH (NC): Elder Eddie Fowler, Sister Beth Fowler, Sister Libby Fowler, Brother Lester Snider, Sister Merlyn Snider.
SMOKEY MT CHURCH (TN): Elder Harold Hunt.
FLINT RIVER ASSOCIATION (AL): Elder Benjamin C. Winslett, Sister Lydia Winslett (Daughter), Elder Jon Mizell.
BLUE RIDGE PBC and INDIAN CREEK PBC (VA): Elder Timothy Witten, Sister Martha Witten and children.
SENTER DISTRICT ASSOCIATION (NC): Minutes.
COOL SPRINGS (SC): Elder Daniel Wood, Sister Brenlee Wood (Daughter), Brother Josh Longazel.
MOUNT PARAN and SORRALLS SPRINGS CHURCH (GA): Elder Ronnie B. Loudermilk.
EBENEZER FELLOWSHIP (GA): Elder Raybon Lord, Sister Ginger Lord.
TIRED CREEK CHURCH (GA): Elder Jon Mizell.
ABBOTT'S CREEK CHURCH (NC): Elder Steven H. Nichols, Sister Sara L. Nichols, Brother and Sister Bobby Goins.
NORTH VIEW CHURCH (NC): Elder Milton Gunter, Sister Betty Gunter
LOTTS CREEK ASSOCIATION: Brother Ric Stewart.
GRACE CHURCH (TN): Elder Bill Taylor, Brother Larry Clabough, Sister Sharon Clabough, Sister Katie Clabough.
LOWER WETUMPKA ASSOCIATION (AL): Elder Roswell T. Smith.
OLD MILL CHURCH (VA): Elder Jamie Hancock.
OAKWOOD CHURCH (TN): Lic. Dustin Phillips

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows: (It is understood that any member of our association may represent us at any association.)

LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA, (4th weekend, Sept.): Elder Joe Helms, Brethren Lindsay Allen, David Parker, Barry Cole, Elder W.M. Benton, Minutes.
ORIGINAL TOWALIGA, (1st weekend, Sept.): Minutes.
LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA, (3rd weekend, Aug.): Minutes.
TENNESSEE and NOLACHUCKY, (2nd weekend, Sept.): Minutes.
ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY, (3rd weekend, Aug.): Brethren Lindsay Allen, David Parker, Minutes.
MT. ZION OF ALABAMA, (2nd weekend, Sept.): Minutes.
SOUTH ARKANSAS, (3rd weekend, Sept.): Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10. Brother Tom Robinson was appointed to write the corresponding letter to be approved at our Saturday meeting.

11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting continuing at the Agri-Civic Center. The business meeting was closed with prayer by Elder Rom Kerley.

Saturday, September 15, 2012

The association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a.m. at the Agri-Civic Center. After prayer by Elder Joe Helms, the business continued as follows:

12. We acknowledged visitors who had arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under items six and seven.

13. Called for the report of the finance committee:

Received from the churches	$9,243.00
Received from friends	$130.00
Total receipts	$9,373.00

14. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from other associations as usual. Minutes were received from the following: Original Little River Association of NC, Mt. Zion of Alabama, Original Powell's Valley, Senter District, South Arkansas, and Tennessee and Nolachucky Associations.

15. Called for the corresponding letter which was read and approved and the clerk was instructed to include it in the minutes.

16. Extended invitation for the churches of the association to request 5th Sunday meetings and granted the following:

December, 2012	Union Grove
March, 2013	Liberty Hill
June, 2013	Pleasant Hill
September, 2013	Bear Creek

17. Unanimously agreed by move, second and vote to hold the next session of the association with Meadow Creek Primitive Baptist Church on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 2013 and that the pastor of that church preach the introductory sermon.

At the request of Meadow Creek Church, (having previously sent a letter to each of the churches in the association for consideration) there was a motion and second to temporarily suspend the portion of rule two of the "Rules Governing the Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association" requiring that the moderator be a member of the association, so that her pastor, Elder Eddie Fowler, may serve as the moderator of the 2013 session. The motion passed.

A motion was made to have the messengers ask their home churches to consider amending rule two to permanently remove the requirement that the moderator be a member of the association, but that the pastorof the host church be allowed to serve as moderator provided he is a member of a sister church of like faith and order in fellowship with the churches of the association. The motion was seconded and passed, and will be brought up for consideration at the 2013 session.

18. Unanimously agreed to have 1400 copies of the minutes printed and that the clerk superintend same.

19. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that required in item 18 to the ministers present and any other expenses the finance committee may deem expedient.

20. Unanimously agreed to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His mercy and loving kindness and to the members and friends of Crooked Creek Church for their unselfish labors during this meeting. We also wish to thank the staff of the Agri-Civic Center for their kind assistance.

Elder Richard Broadway, moderator
Brother W.T. Broadway, clerk
Brother Tim Herrin, assistant clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Received from the churches	$9,243.00
Received from friends	$ 130.00
Total Receipts	$9,373.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing minutes and other clerk's expenses	$1,100.00
Agri-Civic Center Rent	$1,600.00
Ministers	$6,673.00
Total disbursements	$9,373.00

Corresponding Letter

We trust we are thankful that God has blessed us once again to meet together in His Reverend and Holy name. This year is the one hundred and eightieth session of the Original Bear Creek Association. We want to extend our warmest welcome to our brethren and sisters of like precious faith. We count it a grand privilege to be able to fellowship with you and to enjoy the rich spiritual blessings of our ministering brethren. Our prayer to God is that He will be one in our midst and that His name be magnified and glorified above all names.

During this association we hope to contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. With our hearts and minds of one accord may God be pleased with our feeble efforts. We are thankful unto our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for His everlasting love and mercy towards us. As we contend for the truth and worship together in His holy kingdom, let us remember to give all honor and glory to our Heavenly Father. We are thankful that there is still a remnant according to the election of grace that has not bowed down to the image of Baal.

In conclusion, brothers and sisters in Christ, we want to thank you again for your presence and hope that you will have a mind to visit with us again. Until the Lord shall appear the second time without sin unto salvation to take His bride home, may God's tender mercy be upon us all.

Your servant in Hope,
Brother Tom Robinson

In Memoriam

Precious to us are the memories of those who have passed this life since our last meeting. We sorrow with their families and we anticipate that day when we will all meet again.

Bethel	Sister Maggie Rowland Sister Evolulu McLamb
High Hill Church:	Sister Ethel Mae Whitley Deacon Brother Stanley Howard Edwards Deacon Brother John Talmage Edwards
High Point Church:	Brother David Dix
Lawyer Springs Church:	Deacon Brother Truby High
Parkview Church:	Brother James Vrobel Sister Dorothy (Dot) Willard
Pleasant Grove Church:	Sister Georgia Bailey
Pleasant Hill	Sister Pauline Woodell
Union Grove Church:	Sister Madge Baucom Little Sister Vera Price Honeycutt

CHURCHES	PASTORS
Meadow Creek	Elder Eddie Fowler
Pleasant Hill	Elder David Brooks
High Hill	Elder Larry Austin
Parkview	Elder E. W. Hooven
Liberty Hill	Elder Branan Hooven
Pleasant Grove	Elder Joe C. Helms
Union Grove	Elder Newell Helms, Elder Jared Sm
Bear Creek	Elder Richard Broadway
Mountain Creek	Elder Branan Hooven
Lawyer Springs	Elder Joe C. Helms
Crooked Creek	Elder Richard Broadway
Bethel	Elder James Allen
Corinth	Elder Rommie Williams
Herrin's Grove	Elder Charles Broadway
High Point	Elder Steven Nichols
Mills Chapel	Elder Rom Kerley
New Hope	Elder David Anderson

[1] Friday night before

[2] Sat. night before, also, Sat night before 3rd Sun. in April

[3] Saturday night before

AL TABLE

Communion Sundays	Rec'd. by baptism	Rec'd. by relation	Rec'd. by letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total membership	Contributions
1st Jun			1					40	$987
1st Jun							1	30	$725
1st Sept[2]	1		1			1	3	77	$600
3rd May	2		1				2	84	$800
2nd May	1					1		47	$850
2nd Jul	1						1	25	$485
2nd Aug	1				1	2	2	118	$800
2nd Aug	1							13	$620
3rd Jul	2							51	$876
1st Aug							1	32	$400
4th Jul [1]	3			1				34	$500
4th Jun	6			1		11	2	57	$300
1st May					2	2		6	
1st Jun [3]								22	$300
4th May	1					6	1	26	$410
2nd Jun	1							25	$500
4th Aug								3	$100
TALS	20	0	3	2	3	23	13	690	$9,253

ORDER OF SERVICE

Friday morning: Prayer: Elder Charles Smith

Introductory Sermon: Elder Richard Broadway, Gal 5:22 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love..." John 13:34 "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another." Luke 10:25-29, "And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? How readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. But he , willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?" Rom 12:18 "As much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men." Luke 10:30-35 The Good Samaritan's example of love. Luke 10:36-37 "Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him, Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise." Mat 6:3, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." 1Cor 13:1-13, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal... now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Prov 19:17 "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again." John 17, "that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." "I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them." 1John 4:7 "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God."

Prayer: Elder Larry Austin

Friday afternoon: Prayer: Elder Gene Hogan

Elder Jon Mizell, 1Cor 15:2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you. How that Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures. Is. 53:1-4, "Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted." "He was bruised for our iniquities." "As a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth."

Elder J. B. Huskey, Rev 22 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. Ps 46:4 There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God. John 7:37-39 Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive. Is 41:17 When the poor and needy seek water...I the Lord will hear them. I will open rivers in high places. Twelve manner of fruit – Gal 6:22-23, Rom 6:22, Heb 12:11, Heb 13:15. John15:8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

Elder Ben Winslett, "Salt and Light" Matt 5:13-15 Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a

bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Rev 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen (thy first love), and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent. Matt 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Three parts of the Ministry of the Church 1) Worship. John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. 2) Preach the word and encourage God's children. 3) James 1:27 visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction. Rom 9:29, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha. 1Tim 2:1-2 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be make for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.
Elder Milton Gunter, Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Gen 3:8, And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, where art thou? John 6:37-39 All that the Father giveth me shall come unto me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but raise it up again at the last day. Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. Heb 12, 1 Jn 3:1, Behold what manner of love the Father hast bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God.
Prayer: Elder Steve Nichols
Friday night: Prayer: Brother James Carelock
Brother Ric Stewart, Is 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Pro 30:4 "What is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell?" Jn 11:27 Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. Heb 3:8 Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. 1Tim 3:16, Ps 85:10, Acts 2:29-30, Zec 6:13, Heb 1:3
Prayer: Brother Tom Robinson
Saturday morning: Prayer: Elder Tim Witten
Elder Tommy Rountree, Two words – come and came. Jn 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me. For I came down from heaven. Jn 14:3, And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. Jer 6:16 Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein. Ps 133:1
Elder Bill Taylor, Jn 17:1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes unto heaven, and said, Father the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee. "We have a Glorious Savior, and a Glorious Church." I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. Prov 8:31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.
Elder Rabon Lord, Eph 4:8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) Ps 40:2 He brought me up also out of an horrible

pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. Eph 2, And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. John 5:25 The hour is coming and now is when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live. Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints. "I believe he's coming back, because he said he was".

Prayer: Elder E. W. Hooven

Saturday afternoon: Prayer: Elder Roswell Smith

Elder Jamie Hancock, Pro 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Jn 14:18 I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you.

Elder Ronnie Loudermilk, Ps 146 Praise ye the Lord, Praise the Lord, O my soul. Eleven reasons to praise the Lord: 1) He is the creator. 2) He keepeth truth for ever. He is a covenant keeping God. 3) He is a righteous judge. 4) He giveth food to the hungry. 5) He looseth the prisoners. 6) He openeth the eyes of the blind. You see yourself a sinner. 7) He raiseth them that are bowed down. 8) The Lord loveth the righteous. Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. 9) He preserveth the strangers. 10) He relieveth the fatherless and widow. Jesus cares. 11) The Lord shall reign forever. Praise ye the Lord.

Elder Tim Witten, Luke 4:13, Luke 4:16 "as his custom was". 4:24-27 No prophet is accepted in his own country. Many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, but unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

Elder Daniel Wood, Gen. 32:28 Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel. Esther 2:5 Now in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name was Mordecai. "Israel" and "Jew" refer to a person, not a place. Rom 2:28-29 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh; But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

Prayer: Elder Wayne Gravely

Saturday night: Prayer: Elder Newell Helms

Elder Tony Parker, Jn 10:1 He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. 2Ti 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. John 10:9 I am the door. Gen 22:8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering.

Prayer: Elder Eddie Fowler

Sunday morning: Prayer: Elder Roswell Smith

Elder Jody Risner, Heb 13:5 Let you conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. Ps 23:1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. John 10:29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. Phil 4:12-13 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound... I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Elder Charles Smith, John 7:15-18, "And the Jews marveled saying, how knoweth this man letters having never learned?" Luke 2:46 "they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions." Luke 4:22 "And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?" Jn 7:16 "Jesus answered them and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me." Jn 7:17 "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." Jn 7:18 "He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him."

Elder Joe Helms, Jn 3:35-36, "The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand." Jn 17:23 "That the world may know that thou has sent me, and has loved them as thou hast loved me." Is 40:10 "Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him." Matt 1:21 "for he shall save his people from their sins." Is 40:12 "Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance? Who hath directed the Spirit of the Lord, or being his counselor hath taught him? With whom took he counsel?" Is 59:1 "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save." Heb 10:31 "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." 2Sa 24:14 "let us fall now into the hand of the Lord; for his mercies are great: and let me not fall into the hand of man." Heb 10:35 "Cast not away therefore your confidence."

Elder Rom Kerley, 2Tim 2:7-9, "Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel: wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory" 1Tim 3:15 "the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." Ps 56:12-13 "Thy vows are upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee. For thou hast delivered my soul from death: wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?" We have "exceeding great and precious promises" 2Pe 1:4, Col 4:6 "Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt." Eph 5:8 "now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light." 1Th 5:10 "Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him." 1Co 15:11 "Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preached, and so ye believed."

Elder Newell Helms, 1) Dead In Sin. 1Co 15:22 "in Adam all die"; Rom 6:23 "the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord", Eph 2 "And you hath he quickened who were dead in trespasses and sins." Ps 51:5 Behold I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me." Rom 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Rom 3:10 "There is none righteous, no, not one." 2) Dead For Sin. 2Co 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." 3) Dead To Sin. Rom 6:2 "How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?" "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord".

Elder Larry Austin, Col 4:2 "Continue in prayer.". Mic 6:8, "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" Ps 37:25 "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." Heb 13:5 "for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee".

Elder E. W. Hooven, Rom 12:1, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Php 2:12 "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." Tit 1:2 "In hope of eternal life, which God that cannot lie promised before the world began." Mat 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Jud 1:20 "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves in your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost." Act 14:17 "he left not himself without witness." Dan 4:35 "He doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth." 2Ch 7:14 "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Job 14:14 "I wait, till my change come." Rom 12:2 "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing or your mind."

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Bear Creek				7:00p	10:30a						7:00p				
Bethel		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a	7:00p
Corinth		10:30a									10:30a				
Crooked Creek					10:30a			10:30a	7:00p		10:30a				
Herrin's Grove		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a	7:00p			7:00p		10:30a	7:00p			7:00p
High Hill		10.30a			10:30a			10:30a			10:30a			10:30a	
High Point					10:30a					1:30p	10:30a				
Lawyer Springs	3:00p	10:30a						10:30a							
Liberty Hill		10:30a	7:00p		10:30a										
Meadow Creek		10:30a			6:00p			10:30a			10:30a				
Mills Chapel		10:30a		7:00p	10:30a						10:30a				
Mountain Creek							7:00p	10:30a			10:30a				
New Hope					10:30a						10:30a				
Park View		10:30a			10:30a		7:00p	10:30a			10:30a			10:30a	
Pleasant Grove				3:00p	10:30a			10:30a							
Pleasant Hill		10:30a					6:30p	10:30a							
Union Grove		10:30a			10:30a			10:30a			10:30a			10:30a	

CHURCH MEETING TIMES

Bear Creek:	2nd Sun. morning and Sat. night before; 4th Sun. night, Pastor.
Bethel:	Each Sunday morning 10:30am. Wed. evenings 7pm.
Corinth:	1st Sun morning, Pastor; 4th Sun morning, Elder David Anderson.
Crooked Creek:	2nd Sun. morning, Elder Charles Smith; 3rd Sun morning and 4th Sun. morning, Pastor, Wed. night before 4th Sun., Elder Smith.
Herrin's Grove:	1st Sun. morning, 2nd Sun. morning; 4th Sun. morning and each Wednesday night.
High Hill:	Each Sunday morning 10:30am, Pastor.
High Point:	2nd Sun. morning; 4th Sun. morning and Sat. before at 1:30pm, Pastor.
Lawyer Springs:	1st Sun. morning and Sat. afternoon before at 3pm, Pastor and Elder Charles Smith, 3rd Sun. morning, Elder Charles Smith and Elder Rommie Williams.
Liberty Hill:	1st Sun. morning 10:30am, Elder Richard Broadway; 2nd Sun. morning 10:30am and Wed. night after 1st Sun., Pastor.
Meadow Creek:	1st and 3rd Sun. mornings, Pastor, 4th Sun. mornings Elder Charles Smith, 2nd Sun. night 6:00pm, visiting Elders or Pastor.
Mills Chapel:	1st Sun. mornings, 2nd Sun. morning and Sat. night before; 4th Sun. morning, Pastor.
Mountain Creek:	3rd Sun. morning and Sat. night before, and 4th Sun. morning, Pastor.
New Hope:	2nd Sun. morning, Pastor; 4th Sun. morning Elder David Brooks.
Park View:	Each Sunday morning, and Sat. night before the 3rd Sun., Pastor.
Pleasant Grove:	2nd Sun. morning and Sat. afternoon before at 3pm, Pastor; 3rd Sun. morning, Elder Kerley.
Pleasant Hill:	1st Sun. morning, Elder Branan Hooven; 3rd Sun. morning and Sat. night before 6:30pm, Pastor.
Union Grove:	Each Sunday morning at 10:30am. 2nd and 4th Sun. mornings, Pastor; 1st and 3rd Sun. mornings, Elder Jared Smith.

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Corinth: South Sims Street, Kings Mountain, NC.
3 blocks off Highway 74.

Crooked Creek: Crooked Creek Church Road, Monroe, NC.
Just off Hwy. 218, 4 miles east of Hwy. 601, approx.
10 miles north of Monroe.

Herrin's Grove: Herrin Grove Road, Mt. Pleasant, NC.
4 miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant, 2 miles south of Hwy 73 just off Bridge Rd.

High Hill: 2225 Concord Ave, Monroe, NC.
(Between Hwy. 74 and Hwy. 601).

High Point: 209 Rock Springs Rd., High Point, NC 27265.
1 block off the 1500 block of North Main Street.

Lawyer Springs: 45 Upper White Store Road, Peachland, NC 28133.
Just south of Hwy 74 at the underpass.

Liberty Hill: 20415 Hwy 24-27 West, Oakboro, NC 28129.
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Meadow Creek: 1493 Meadow Creek Church Rd., Locust, NC 28097
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Mills Chapel: 400 China Grove Road, Kannapolis, NC.
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Mountain Creek: 40253 Mountain Creek Church Road, New London, NC.

New Hope: Old Leesburg Road, Columbia, SC.
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Parkview: 3209 Ridgewood Rd., Winston-Salem, NC.
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Pleasant Grove: 6302 Lawyers Road E, Marshville, NC 28103
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Pleasant Hill: New Hope Church Road, Asheboro, NC.
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